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From:

LES EIS

To:

Doris Mendiola

Date:

2/18/04 4:48PM

Subject:

LES Comment #6: Russia and depleted uranium re-enrichment

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>>> "PHILLIP BARR" <pharb2@msn.com> 01/11/04 09:43AM >>>

Interesting article about Urenco, Les's partner. When the company was entertaining Lea County leaders, I guess they didn't tell them that russia takes a bunch of their waste. Almelo was supposed to be the big example for LES.

What stands out tho, people of Lea County never heard this about Urenco's (Les's) waste disposal solution.

LES just wants to dump nuclear waste in Lea County and let the taxpayers foot the bill for any cleanup. I don't see them honoring the promise they made to Governor Richardson.

Phillip Barr

Lea County.

---- Original Message -----From: WISE Amsterdam To:

Dear Phillip,

Yes, you are right. Depleted uranium from the Almelo (NL) and Gronau (FRG) plants of Urenco is sent to Russia fro re-enrichment. It concerns several thousands of tons. Urenco Almelo for instance has a storage limit of 50,000 MT of depleted uranium and signed a contract with Russia to re-enrich a substantial part of it. Part of the deal is that no uranium leftovers are returned to Holland. It is attractive for Urenco as otherwise it would have to send the depleted uranium to a special waste storage facility in Holland (which would be more expensive than processing it in Russia). Reenriched uranium (to levels of fissionable uranium-235 equal to natural uranium) is sent to Holland and will be used in the Almelo enrichment plant.

www.antenna.nl/wise/uranium/ediss.html#UREUPGR
Contains more details about depleted uranium sent by Urenco to Russia.

Please contact us if you have further questions.

yours, Robert Jan van den Berg

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